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FOLLOWING REPEAT BUCHAREST 3205 ACTION SECSTATE INFO  
TEHRAN PEKING MOSCOW JAKARTA SEOUL 24 JULY.

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L BUCHAREST 3205

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR RO

SUBJECT: FONMIN MACOVESCU'S TRIP TO ASIA

1. FONMIN GEORGE MACOVESCU TOLD ME TODAY HE WILL VISIT  
NORTH KOREA AND CHINA WITH STOPS AT TEHRAN AND POSSIBLY  
ALSO JAKARTA, DURING PERIOD JULY 27-AUGUST 17 (APPROX).  
NORTH KOREA WILL BE CHIEF FOCUS, WITH ABOUT SIX-DAY STAY  
THERE FOR "SEMI-OFFICIAL VACATCEN" WITH WIFE. MACOVESCU  
SAID HE WOULD RETURN TO BUCHAREST FEW DAYS BEFORE OPENING  
OF WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE AUGUST 19, TO HEAD  
ROMANIAN DELEGATION THERE.

2. MACOVESCU WAS SHORT ON SPECIFICS ABOUT SUBSTANCE OF  
TRIP SAYING THAT IN ALL CASES SAVE CHINA HE WAS RESPONDING  
TO INVITATIONS. PEKING HE CHARACTERIZED AS AN OBVIOUS  
STOP ENROUTE TO PYONGYANG. HE VOLUNTEERED THAT ASIDE  
FROM "BILATERAL RELATIONS" HE WOULD  
BE BRIEFING THE ASIAN COMMUNIST GOVERNMENTS ON SUCH  
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PROBLEMS AS CSCE WHICH, HE SAID, WERE SOMETIMES  
OCCOMPREHENDED IN "NARROW" OR IMPERFECT FASHION IN ASIA DUE  
TO DISTANCE AND LOCAL OPTIRM

3. IN REFERENCE TO NORTH KOREA AND CHINA, MACOVESCU  
SAID HE WOULD BE GLAD TO RECEIVE ANY INFORMATION OR  
MESSAGES US MIGHT WISH HIM TO HAVE.  
BARNES UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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